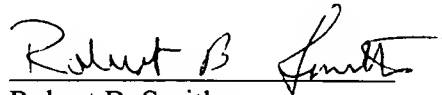## REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the claims are to remove the multiple dependencies. A marked up version of the claims is attached.

Favorable consideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

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3. (Amended) The method according to [any one of the claim[s 1 and] 2, characterised in that the method further comprises the steps of:

presenting to the user, via the user interface, a second plurality of variants of a second one of said plurality of components;

receiving from the user an indication of the a second variant selected from the second plurality of variants; and

presenting to the user via the user interface a graphical representation of the first selected variant of the first component in a predetermined relationship to the second selected variant of the second component.

4. (Amended) The method according to [any one of the] claim[s 2 and] 3, characterised in that the method further comprises the step of graphically animating the positioning of the second variant of the second component in the predetermined relationship to the first variant of the first component.

5. (Amended) The method according to [any one of the] claim[s 2 through] 4, characterised in that the method further comprises the step of interactively animating the positioning of the second variant of the second component in the predetermined relationship to the first variant of the first component, where the interactively animated assembly is controlled by user commands.

6. (Amended) The method according to [any one of the] claim[s 1 through] 5, characterised in that the method further comprises the step of transmitting order

information to a production management system, the order information including configuration data identifying the first variant of the first component and the second variant of the second component.

7. (Amended) The method according to [any one of the] claim[s 1 through] 6, characterised in that the method further comprises the step of transmitting an information signal to the inventory management system, the information signal representing an identification of the selected variants.

10. (Amended) The system according to [any one of the] claim[s 8 and] 9, characterised in that the system further comprises:

third display means adapted to present a second plurality of variants of a second one of said plurality of components;

second input means adapted to receive an indication of a second variant selected from the second plurality of variants; and

third display means adapted to present a graphical representation of the first selected variant of the first component in a predetermined relationship to the second selected variant of the second component.

13. (Amended) The system according to [any one of the] claim[s 10 through] 12, characterised in that the graphical representation of the first variant of the first component in the predetermined relationship to the second variant of the second component is a three-dimensional rendering of the first variant of the first component in the predetermined relationship to the second variant of the second component.

14. (Amended) The system according to [any one of the] claim[s 8 through] 13, characterised in that the system further comprises transmitting means adapted to transmit order information to a production management system, the order informa- tion including configuration data identifying the first variant of the first component and the second variant of the second component.

15. (Amended) The system according to [any one of the] claim[s 8 through] 14, characterised in that the system further comprises transmitting means adapted to transmit an information signal to the inventory management system, the information signal including an identification of the selected variants.

16. (Amended) Use of a method according to [any one of the] claim[s] 1 [through 7] for customising a medical application device.

17. (Amended) A computer program comprising program code means for performing all the steps of [any one of the] claim[s] 1 [through 7] when said program is run on a computer.

18. (Amended) A computer program product comprising program code means stored on a computer readable medium for performing [a] the method of [any one of the] claim[s] 1 [through 7] when said computer program product is run on a computer.

19. (Amended) A computer data signal embodied in a carrier wave, compris- ing program code means for performing all the steps of [any one of the] claim[s] 1 [through 7] when said program is run on a computer.

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